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For: GUIDE WIRE WITH HYDROPHILICALLY COATED TIP

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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION APPLICATION
UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

Dear Sir:

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" having an Express Mail mailing label number of : EV315607223US, in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 7th day of October, 2003.

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This is a request for filing a continuation application, under 37 CFR §1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 09/874,794 filed on June 5, 2001, for an invention entitled GUIDE WIRE WITH HYDROPHILICALLY COATED TIP.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the inventor's DECLARATION of Richard G. Cornelius, Anthony Kelzenberg, Michael J. Urlick and Brian R. Reynolds, as originally filed on July 27, 1999.
2. I hereby verify that the enclosed papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/874,794 as filed on June 5, 2001, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

3. Cancel in this application original Claims 2-21 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim has been retained for filing purposes.

4. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED						
FOR:	(1) No. Filed	(2) No. Extra	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER	
			RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	\$385	XXXXX	\$770
TOTAL CLAIMS	1-20=	0	X 9=	\$	X 18=	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1- 3=	0	X 43=	\$	X 86=	\$
() MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED			+145=	\$	+290=	\$
TOTAL				\$	XXXXX	\$770

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-0413.
6. A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee.
7. Amend the specification by inserting, immediately before "Field of the Invention" on page 1 thereof, the sentence --This is a continuation of copending Application Serial No. 09/874,794 filed on June 5, 2001, which in turn is a continuation of Application Serial No. 09/361,881 filed on July 27, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,251,086 which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/812,750 filed on March 6, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,924,998.--
8. Please find enclosed two (2) sheets of formal drawings.
9. The power of attorney in the prior application is to CROMPTON, SEAGER & TUFTE LLC. The power appears in the papers in the prior application file, and a copy is enclosed. Address all future communications to:

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10. This patent application is assigned to SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC., pursuant to the Assignment recorded at Reel 8431, Frame 0972.

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